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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR BIO INFO ON WIVES OF FOREIGN MINISTERS
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FOLLOWING IS BIO INFO REQUESTED IN REFTTEL ON WIVES OF CHIEF MEMBERS
OF NICARAGUAN DELEGATION TO UNGA:

(1). LOIS NASH DE MONTIEL - WIFE OF CHIEF OF DELEGATION,
FOREIGN MINISTER ALEJANDRO MONTIEL ARGUELLO. BORN 25 MARCH 1922
IN PANAMA CANAL ZONE. BRITISH NATIONAL WHO SPEAKS ENGLISH WITH
AMERICAN ACCENT. TWICE MARRIED AND DIVORCED, ONCE TO USAF
OFFICER, PRIOR TO MARRYING MONTIEL WHOM SHE MET WHILE HE WAS
AMBASSADOR TO PANAMA 1949-50. MONTIEL'S HAVE NO CHILDREN.
MRS. MONTIEL HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS BRIGHT AND DIGNIFIED

PERSONALITY WHO IS BELIEVED TO EXERCISE CONSIDERABLE INFLUENCE
OVER HER HUSBAND.

(2). LILLIAM SOMOZA DE SEVILLA SACASA - WIFE OF NICARAGUAN
AMBASSADOR TO THE U.S. AND PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE
U.N., GUILLERMO SEVILLA SACASA. BORN 1919 IN NICARAGUA. THE
ONLY DAUGHTER OF ANASTASIO SOMOZA GARCIA, FOUNDER OF THE DYNASTY
WHICH HAS GOVERNED NICARAGUA SINCE THE 1930'S, SHE IS THE ONLY
SISTER OF ANASTASIO SOMOZA DEBAYLEGN DE FACTO RULER OF NICARAGUA
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WHO WILL ASSUME THE PRESIDENCY DECEMBER 1, 1974 FOR A FULL

SIX-YEAR TERM. IN 1973, MRS. SEVILLA SACASA WITH HER HUSBAND AND NINE CHILDREN CELEBRATED AN UNPRECEDENTED 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF RESIDENCE IN THE U.S. AS THE NICARAGUAN AMBASSADORIAL FAMILY. A FORECEFUL, INTELLIGENT WOMAN WHO ATTENDED SCHOOL IN WASHINGTON, SHE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR HER HUSBAND BEING NAMED AMBASSADOR TO THE U.S., AFTER HE DIVORCED HIS FIRST WIFE TO MARRY HER IN 1942. MRS. SEVILLA SACASA'S PRINCIPAL INTERESTS ARE HER CHILDREN, FOR WHOM SHE HOLDS CONSIDERABLE AMBITION, AND THE PRESERVATION AND INCREASE OF HER PERSONAL FORTUNE. IN ADDITION TO HER LARGE INTERESTS IN NICARAGUA, MUCH OF HER WEALTH IS SAID TO BE CONCENTRATED IN REAL ESTATE HOLDINGS IN THE WASHINGTON AREA.

(3) LUZ MARINA REYES DE LANG - WIFE OF NICARAGUAN ALTERNATE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE U.N, AMBASSADOR GUILLERMO LANG. BORN 1921 IN NICARAGUA. ELDEST DAUGHTER OF NOW RETIRED GENERAL RIGOBERTO REYES FORMERLY SECOND-IN-COMMAND OF NICARAGUA'S ONLY ARMED FORCES, THE NATIONAL GUARD. THE LANG'S HAVE THREE CHILDREN. MRS. LANG HAS LIVED WITH HER HUSBAND IN NEW YORK SINCE 1955 WITH THE EXCEPTION OF TWO YEARS, 1960-1962, WHEN HER HUSBAND RETURNED TO NICARAGUA TO HOLD THE POSITION OF MINISTER OF THE NATIONAL DISTRICT. SHELTON

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